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Proposed memorial, "Undaunted in Battle," with sculptor Joanna Blake

June 2013

A proposed Memorial of the Battle of Bladensburg

As the 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Bladensburg approaches, we are aware that the battle has never been appropriately commemorated. This monument will serve as a tribute to the soldiers, sailors and marines who fought and died defending their Nation's Capital on August 24, 1814. The proposed monument presents Commodore Joshua Barney, not in a moment of triumph, but shortly after he is wounded. He is being helped up by Charles Ball, a former slave and member

Undaunted in Battle

of the flotilla who fought alongside Barney at Bladensburg. The other figure represents a member of the Marines. All three figures are looking up, "undaunted."

1he figures have been sculpted in relief and are now being cast in bronze. The bronze panel will be housed in a limestone base that reads, "Undaunted in Battle." The back side will house a Battle of Bladensburg interpretive panel constructed of granite. The panel

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On the Agenda



Karen Coakley

By President Karen M. Coakley

As summer begins, people often let their guard down as focus shifts to warm-weather fun with friends and family from safety precautions like auto theft prevention. Thieves are still out there ready to steal exposed items such as shopping bags, electronics, purses and possibly the vehicle itself while you are off enjoying the nice weather.

Tips on Prevention

Remove all non-factory installed items from view and lock them away in the trunk of the vehicle.

Charger cords, GPS Mounts and other windshield mounts indicate there are other electronics in the vehicle for the thief to steal.

Never leave packages in plain view.

Remember that would-be thieves may be watching you. It's best not to leave purchased items in your vehicle, but to take them home. DON'T BE A VICTIM!

Slow down when driving and be considerate of your neighbors who are walking, riding bikes and skate boards!

Vansville Elementary School Holds Spelling Bee

Vansville Elementary School, located in Beltsville Md. held its 1st Annual Spelling Bee hosted and sponsored by the Vansville Elementary PTA. Students from grades 1 through 5 joined together on May 17, 2013 to display their knowledge of words.

There was a great Buzz about the building during the week leading up to the Bee. On the day of the Spelling Bee, students and staff wore black and yellow to show their support for the evening's Bee contestants. Due to a large interest by the 3rd and 4th graders, a preliminary Bee was

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At 12:30 p.m. on 19 May, as Beltsville Day was getting underway, the flag pole at the Community Center was dedicated in a ceremony highlighted by United States Marine Corps SGTs Ashley Arizmendi and Tomas Power ceremoniously raising the flag, followed by the playing of the national anthem. The flag pole was donated to the Community Center by the Women's Club of Beltsville. In this photo, members of the Women's Club are joined by Senator Jim Rosapepe, Delegate Barbara Frush, SGTs Arizmendi and Power, and a Scout from Beltsville Troop 1033.



Breakfast at TJ's

Beginning Monday, June 3rd, TJ's of Calverton Restaurant will serve breakfast daily starting at 8:a.m. TJs is located in the Calverton Shopping Center and offers all American food served in a relaxing atmosphere.

6th Annual Putting Fore Pink

Please register now for the 6th annual Putting Fore Pink Golf Classic, which will be held on June 10 at the Glen Dale Golf Club. The cost is \$130 per person. Credit cards will be accepted the day of the event. You may also make your check payable to the AMW Education Trust Fund and mail it to P.O. Box 2823, Laurel, MD 20709-2823.

You can find the AMW Education Trust on face book. Contact Ed Whelan, Co-Chair, at 301.785.2715 (e-mail whelan@ comcast.net) or Mike Painter, Co-Chair, at 301.404.1148 (e-mail michaelpainter@comcast.net for further information.

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25 Years Ago in the Beltsville News

By Phil Whitman

Extracted from the June 1988 issue

Mother of the Year

On Sunday, May 8th at Raulin's Bakery, Beltsville's first Mother of the Year was crowned. She was Mrs. Rose Osborne.

Borgwardt Graduates Magna Cum Laude

Alan Eugene Borgwardt graduated magna cum laude from Bridgewater College on Sunday, May 8, 1988.

Tracy Celebrates 60th

Mr. Francis Tracy, Principal of High Point High School celebrated his 60th birthday.

Kelly Valedictorian

Laura E. Kelly, 17, was Valedictorian for 1988 at High Point High School.

Two Achieve Eagle Rank

Stemle and Ricker achieved Eagle Rank at ceremonies at Calverton Baptist Church on April 30th from Troop 1272.

40th Wedding Anniversary

Lois & Raymond Rodriguez celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on June 5, 1988.

Engagement Announced

Cheryl Lynne has been engaged to Bert Lee Damson III. The wedding was on July 23, 1988 and preceded their residing in Athens Ohio.

New Arrivals

Sharif R. Hussein and Pattie Yu Hussein announced the birth of their son, Tarek Sharif Hussein, on May 5, 1988.

Michelle Arlee, daughter of Rebecca Buscher and Kent Adam Golden was born on May 12, 1988.

Joseph Anthony Altobelli, son of Selene Ann and Joseph Altobelli was born May 6, 1988.

Lindsay Marie Prather, daughter of Christine Caldmeris and Dennis Warren Prather was born May 26, 1988.

Samantha Lynn Hutt, daughter of Ruth Louise and Robert Nolan Hutt was born on May 24, 1988.

Drew Nicholas Yates, son of Christina and William Yates was

born on May 14, 1988.

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CORRECTION Last month's article on Beltsville Academy Science Fair winners should have included the name of William Mo as a

Allison Elise Bucca, daughter

Daniel Robert Hoover, son of

Nancy Renee Dwyer, daughter

Tristan Alexander Hunter,

Justin Scott Wray, son of

Jacquelyne Barton and Wil-

Gary D. Neal, 51, passed away

Oscar Saylor passed away

Leonard A. Degast passed

Edna Lee Flora, 88, passed

Lydia M. Nelson passed away

Dorothy E. Clark passed away

Kenneth D. Erickson passed

Hilda Whitehead, 72, passed

away May 7, 1988 at Leland Memorial hospital in Riverdale.

away May 13, 1988 at Greater

Laurel Beltsville Hospital.

May 2, 1988 at Leland Memorial

May 29, 1988 at his Laurel home.

liam Gam were married April 30,

of Stacy Elise (Fealy) and Paul

Anne Noreen and Jerry Robert

of Janet Laura and Kevin Thom-

as Dwyer was born May 23, 1988.

son of Jerri Lynn and Kent Stu-

art Hunter was born May 21,

Michele Denise and Wade Scott

Wray was born January 22, 1988.

April Wedding

Obituaries

Hospital/

away May 3, 1988.

May 16, 1988.

May 17, 1988.

away May 23, 1988.

1988 at the bride's home.

1988.

Hoover was born May 23, 1988.

Bucca was born May 24, 1988.



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Church Dinner Honors Members

The College Park United Methodist Church had their annual "Spring Fling" dinner honoring some outstanding church members. Six 90 year-olds who are still active in church activities were recognized for their service.

Every year, the United Methodist Women vote by secret ballot to present "Special Recognition" pins to two outstanding people in the church. This year, the honors went to Salva Holloman of Beltsville and Aaron Maitland of College Park.

Salva has been a member of the church since 1970 and is a United Methodist Women's Society member who is always ready to lend an expert helping hand to church projects. She has been married to husband, John, for 51 years. They lead a very active retired life, including participating in a Walking Club in the Beltsville area.

Our other special honoree, Aaron Maitland, is the Chair of Trustees, who manage the maintenance of the church and parsonage. He also oversees the rental of the church building. Aaron is on the Church Council, Building Committee, helps with Sunday School, ushers and greets on Sunday mornings and always volunteers as needed. He is quite busy, having a fulltime job, two small children, and working on his PhD at the University of Maryland.



Above, seniors recognized for significant contributions to the College Park United Methodist Church. (From left) Elizabeth Hontz (94), Virginia Stanford (97), Margaret Skong (91), Katherine Doughtery (93), Tom Worley (90), and Maxine Smith (90) from Mowatt United Methodist Church in Greenbelt, College Park United Methodist Church's sister church. Also honored was Minnie McGinnis (94) of College Park, who is not in the photo.

The dinner was catered by Mountain Gate Restaurant of Thurmont, Md. Good country cooking was enjoyed by all. The "Men in Black" band closed the program with a concert of gospel music.



Special Recognition pins were presented to Salva Holloman and Aaron Maitland at the College Park United Methodist Church "Spring Fling" dinner.

If you the reader have ever read the classified section of this paper you may recall that Meals on Wheels always has an ad requesting volunteers.

If you like to eat, you will understand how much Meals on Wheels (MOW) clients, who are unable to prepare meals, appreciate MOW. Also, as one elderly lady frequently tells me, "MOW enables me to stay in my home!"

Most people like to be helpful, and as a MOW volunteer you know without any doubt that you are helping people. In fact, being a MOW volunteer will boost your self-esteem. Volunteers associate with caring people for whom you will develop a tremendous respect, and who will become your friends. One lady from Calverton, Natalie Ferrara, who died recently, delivered meals for 38 years. Her husband, Angelo, who also passed away a few months ago, delivered meals for both Hyattsville and College Park.

Could you spare 2 hours once a week, or every other week, or once a month? Why volunteer? Why not?



Why Volunteer?

Hidden Gems

- ith the lazy days of summer quickly approaching reinvent your indoor and outdoor living space to capture the spirit of summer. There are several hidden gems right here in Beltsville. They are all local so you won't waste time or gas driving all over town and will be back to relaxing in the cool breeze in no time. Start at Will's Home Decorating (www. decoratemaryland.com) for blinds, draperies, reupholstery,



Michael Richards and Valerie Kabelac

flooring, area rugs, wallpaper, custom furniture, Benjamin Moore paint and more. Their selection is one of the largest in the D.C. area. The best part is not just that they offer FREE personalized in-store design consultations, but that the consultations are typically with the owners, design gurus Michael Richards and Valerie Kabelac. For contemporary European style furniture, check out Bova Furniture (BOVAfurniture.com). Bova has a great collection of leather furniture. On your way to Bova stop at The Behnke's Nurseries (www. Behnkes. com) for flowers, shrubs and trees. Behnke's has everything you need to make your garden absolutely gorgeous. If you need help, Behnke's expert staff is eager to assist you.

If all this shopping is making you hungry try one of the culinary delights in Beltsville, over by Will's Home Decorating the wonderful aroma in the air will lead you across the street to Sardi's, where irresistible mouthwatering charbroiled chicken is on the menu. For Korean food try Da Rae Won or Gah Rham. There is also Swahili Village, which recently received a glowing review in the Washington Post for its flavorful Kenyan food. Newly opened Old Line boasts a fabulous bistro with 20 craft beers on tap. If you are craving dessert pick up a freshly baked fruit pie, cake or pastries at Raulin's Bakery. As you head home save time for one final stop at Spicknall's Farm Market for locally grown fruit and vegetables. Shop Local, Shop Beltsville!!!





Scouts working during Beautification Day

Cub Pack 1031 Helps at Beltsville Academy Beautification Day

Members of Cub Pack 1031 helped the Landscaping Committee, students and teachers at the Beltsville Academy weed and mulch their gardens on Saturday, April 27, 2013.

Scouts and their parents fanned out in front of the school under the direction of Academy staff to weed and mulch the front of the school. This is the 8th year Scouts have helped spruce up the school.

The school had a great turnout for their Beautification Day and the Cub Scouts of Pack 1031 were happy to help out. Eight youth and eight adults helped in the service project. This was our second cleanup project for the school this year. In Jan. we raked and picked up debris around the schoolyard for Martin Luther King Day service. A Scout always likes to do a "Good Turn." Cub Scouts are beginning their summertime activities. We look forward to Cub Day Camp in July, National Night Out and our bimonthly summertime outdoor activities.

Kindergarteners that will be moving to 1st grade in the fall are welcome to join Cub Scout Pack 1031 now. We meet during the school year at Beltsville Academy and the pack offering camping opportunities at least once a year, has a Pinewood Derby in February and earns lots of belt loops and pins.

If you are interested in having your son 1st to 5th Grade join Cub Scout Pack 1031 in Beltsville, please contact us through Beascout.scouting.org. You can just put in our zip code and select Cub Pack 1031 and we will contact you.

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held to narrow down the number of participants in those grades. By Friday, 71 students were registered to compete and 68 students participated.

The PTA would like to thank the contestants, their parents and the numerous volunteers who made the event a successful one. We could not have held the Spelling Bee if it weren't for the volunteers who filled the positions of judges, timers, observers, and hostesses. A sincere "Thank You" goes out to the Bee Committee, Volunteers and Staff who supported the event. First place winners of each grade received a trophy. Second and Third place winners of each grade received a Spelling Bee medal. All contestants received certificates of participation in this worthwhile event.

Congratulations to the Vansville Elementary First Annual Spelling Bee winners!!

Winners for the grade division were:

- First Grade 1st place - Kaylee Vongnaraj
- 2nd place Isaac Mbamuku
- 3rd place Kailyn Rapp
- Second Grade
- 1st place Joline Lima 2nd place - Daniela Prudencio
- 3rd place Karman Singh
- Third Grade
- 1st place Muaz Malik
- 2nd place Jayden Munoz-Whatts
- 3rd place Hannah Atkinson
 Fourth Grade
 1st place Samnuel Adu
 2nd place Myah Blanks
 3rd place Aderkunle Aadeleke
 Fifth Grade
 1st place Daysia Barr
 2nd place Krystal Serrant
 3rd place Claudia Tan

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Daniel Epps Recognized for Exemplary Service by CCA

On March 27, 2013 the Calverton Citizens' Association (CCA) Executive Board sponsored a retirement ceremony to honor the dedicated leadership of former President, Daniel "Dan" Epps, Jr. He became a resident of the Calverton Bi-County Community in the year 1970, and immediately joined the Citizens Association. He later received an award for his service as assistant Football Coach of the Calverton Raiders. Throughout the years, due to rapid changes in demographics, the community grew to become rich in diversity and the CCA became

even stronger in their commitment to support all Calverton residents on community matters. Mr. Epps became active as a member of the Board and received the CCA Board Membership award in the year 2002. He was elected Vice President in the year 2004 and President in the year 2005, where he served for the next eight years.

The CCA Executive Board issued the Award of Excellence to Mr. Epps for his dedicated leadership as President of the Calverton Citizens Association. During this period his achievements in public service were very beneficial to the community. He demon-



Mr. Daniel Epps, Jr. (left) receives award from Mr. Ian C. Kelly, Associate Director of Leasing and Development, Carrollton Enterprises.

strated effective leadership while involved in direct coordination and negotiation efforts among County/ State legislators on Housing/Zoning issues in both Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. He planned and participated in many community projects, such as the Independence Day Celebration, International Day, Neighborhood Watch and the Calverton Beautification Program.

The Maryland General Assembly Official Citation was presented to Mr. Epps in recognition of his commitment and hard work put forth in service to the community. The Citation also expressed appreciation for his exceptional leadership in Calverton. It was signed by The Prince George's County, Legislative District 21 team: Senator Jim Rosapepe and Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Pena-Melnyk and Ben Barnes.

Mr. Epps thanked everyone for their support throughout his years of service. He also expressed his gratitude to the following organizations: The Montgomery County Council, Prince George's County Council and the Legislative 21st District Delegation, Carrollton Enterprises, Prince George's County Police District #6,

and the Montgomery County Police, District #3, for their continued support in the resolution of Community issues.

The following CCA Board members received Awards of Excellence for their long-term service to the Calverton Community and special accomplishments in the areas of Public Service, Special events and safety for all residents: President, Daniel Epps. Jr., Vice President, Frank B. Cockrell, Corresponding Secretary, Carolyn L. Gatto, Delegate Richard Gatto, and Newsletter Editor, Karen Mills.

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will contain information about the battle and battlefield and include a narrative summary with quotes, maps, and graphics and will provide a focus for tourism in the area.

The location of the monument is the landscaped area owned by M-NCPPC between the Peace Cross and an existing parking lot next to the George Washington House. It will be easily visible from vehicles and to pedestrian traffic.

The sculptor of the monument is Joanna Blake, a resident of nearby Cottage City who is a figurative sculptor. Since 2001 she has worked for Kaskey Studio Inc. where she has contributed her design and sculpting skills to the creation of a number of large scale public monuments, most notably,

COAKLEY

Konterra

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Community Clean Up with

Help the Anacostia Watershed

Society and Calverton Citizen's

Association on Saturday, June 8th

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 4001 Pow-

der Mill Road, Beltsville. Register

on the Web at www.anacostiaws.

the National World War II Memorial in Washington, DC.

The Aman Memorial Trust is a non-profit, 501 c (3) tax exempt organization that supports historic preservation in and about the Town of Bladensburg. The Trust has taken the lead and has organized a monument committee that is receiving and disbursing funds for the monument.

Support for the project has been strong with commitments from the Friends of the Battle of Bladensburg, individuals, and organizations including local and state government. Our goal is for the sculpture and surrounding landscape to create a space for reflection; a destination for tourists interested in history and a reminder to Maryland residents of the historical events of August 24, 1814.

An additional \$60,000 is necessary at this time to complete the

help now. Thank you for your support. Donation checks should be

project as designed. We need your

made payable to the Aman Memorial Trust and mailed to Mr. Dickerson Charlton, Trustee Aman Memorial Trust, 3108 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi, MD 20783

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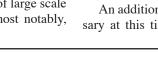


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The June Beltsville Citizen's Association meeting will be on Wednesday, June 19th at 7 p.m. Please contact me if you have a community concern at 301.937.3490 or karenmcoakley@msn.com

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Rosapepe's Report to Beltsville

By Senator Jim Rosapepe (D-21)

College Scholarships for Beltsville Students

For the past several years, I've successfully urged the governor to hold down college tuition rates for local students. Undergraduate tuition at the University of Maryland and our other public colleges was frozen from fall 2005 through 2009. And the governor has limited the increases in subsequent years to 3%. This is a significant break for working families who are facing declining incomes and layoffs.

Another way we can help local students is the legislative scholarship program. Each Senator is allocated funds for scholarships to students in our district who attend Maryland colleges. Applications are reviewed for scholarship awards of \$400 per student.

To apply for a Senate scholarship, students can fill out the online application at www.SenatorJimRosapepe.com. Information on other financial aid for Maryland college students can be found at www.mhec.state.md.us.

The deadline for Delegate scholarships has passed for this fall, but to get on the list to request next year's application, call 301.858.3114.



Senator Jim Rosapepe

Thank you, Dan Epps!

Delegates Barbara Frush, Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Ben Barnes, and I are grateful for the many years of outstanding leadership by former Calverton Citizens' Association president Dan Epps, and we greatly look forward to working with new president Bernadine "Bernie" Karns.

Graffiti on I-95 Bridge

At a recent community meeting, we were alerted about graffiti on the Powder Mill Road Bridge

over I-95. We promptly notified State Highway about the problem, and they fixed the issue by power washing it.

Want to help clean up **Beltsville?**

On Saturday, June 8, the Beltsville Citizens' Association will be hosting a clean-up of our steams, in partnership with Konterra and the Anacostia Watershed Society. The clean-up site is located between Powder Mill Road and I-95, behind Fire Station 41 in the Calverton area of Beltsville. The event is 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and lunch is provided. To participate, please email karenmcoakley@msn.com.

Thanks for supporting **Beltsville Day!**

Beltsville Day was a great success again this year, with games for kids, music, food, great fellowship, and much more. Many thanks to the Beltsville Recreation Council for their hard work. We look forward to next year!

Contact us

Please let us know if there are other issues you have questions or thoughts about. And, of course, feel free to be in touch if we can be of help to you. Just email 21stDistrictDelegation@gmail.com or call 301 858 3141.

Family Time

By Denita Johnson

Ok families, it's time to start getting ready for summer. But first we need to celebrate our fathers and our graduates. Let's show our fathers and our graduating children how awesome they are.

Father's Day Ideas

1. Make dad a desk accessory for home or work (use pic-

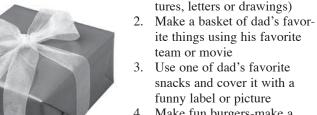
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- snacks and cover it with a funny label or picture Make fun burgers-make a
- hamburger and add fun things to it like shrimp or ham and cheese

Graduation Ideas

- 1. Give a book of inspiration (we all need that sometimes)
- 2. Give a journal for them to start writing their goals and putting in some fun photos
- 3. Make a basket of their favorite things
- 4. Give gift cards (my favorite because they can pick up something they want for themselves)

Summer Fun Websites to get your summer started

- 1. familvdavsout.com/ washingtondc familiesonly.com 2.
- 3. entertainmentcenterspot.com/ beyondthety:outdooractivities forkids

Have fun and keep enjoying each other!

Obituaries

Gundersen, B. Terry (age 66) of Beltsville, Maryland

On Thursday, May 2, 2013 beloved husband of Judy Gundersen for 32 years; loving father of Mark Andrew and Brian Terry Gundersen; Funeral service was held at The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew 15300 New Hampshire Avenue Silver Spring, Md. 20905 on Wednesday, May 8, at 10:30 a.m. with The Reverend Mark Hricko officiating; Interment Parklawn Memorial Park; Memorial contributions may be made to the above named church. Arrangements by Borgwardt Funeral Home (www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com)

Hecker, Wanda Marie Somers

On May 20, 2013 Wanda Marie Somers Hecker, a longtime resident of Beltsville, Md. passed

away at the University of Maryland Baltimore Hospital. She was a graduate of High Point High School and lived in Beltsville and Laurel before spending the last year in Westminster, Md.

She is survived by her son Jeremy Hecker as well as siblings Curtis Somers, Thomas Somers, Elizabeth Ann Mikkola, Michael Somers, and Anita Somers as well as seven nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held on June 8, 2013 in Brysoon City, NC.

Anyone interested in more information, please visit her Facebook page.

Tuthill, Shirley

Shirley Tuthill, 81, former resident of Adelphi for many years, died at her retirement home in Chestertown, Md. on April 20, 2013. She was a librarian in the

Prince George's County Memorial Library System until retiring in 1992 as Director of the Talking Book Center for the visually impaired. Following retirement, she continued working at the USDA National Agricultural Library's Rural Information Center in Beltsville.

She was a longtime member of the book discussion group at the Beltsville Library.

Survivors include two sons, Adam Bean and wife Diane Koch, Casey Bean and his wife Min Zhu and several grandchildren.

A memorial service was held in Chestertown on Sunday, May 12th, and a graveside service will be held on July 13th at Cutchogue Cemetery in Cutchogue, NY. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Kent County, P.O. Box 352, Chestertown, MD 21620.

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Entertaining angels is often unawares When messengers from heaven for my aid Are not recognized, for the earthly shadows seem To blot these gentle presences away

When I get to Glory and ev'rything's laid bare I think that I will drop my jaw and gasp At the revelation of how just how close You were Within the confines of each day that passed

Open my sight daily, O Lord, so I receive The kindnesses Your Spirit brings to me Don't let pride, impatience, and selfishness obscure Love's treasures that surround so gen'rously

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> Rebecca A Hutchings 02/19/10

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Beltsville Briefs (Cont. from page 1)

Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union Community Shredfest and Car Seat **Check Point in Beltsville**

Certified car seat technicians will be on hand to check for properly installed child seats at Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union Beltsville Branch on June 1. The credit union will be providing brand new car seats to those with seats that do not meet market standards or are unsafe. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The check-up is FREE, takes about 30 minutes and involves drivers, parents and caretakers. The car seat inspection will check for recalls, ensure that the child passenger car seats and booster are installed correctly, and that the harness and vehicle installation are correct for the child.

"We are continuously providing the car seat inspection check points for the community to ensure the safety of our future leaders, the children," said Polly Quinn, VP of Marketing for Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union.

The credit Union's Beltsville Branch offers the community a full-service drive thru with drive up ATMs, remote teller access, and coin machine. Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, or volunteers in Prince George's County.

St. Joseph's Flea Market

St. Joseph's School in Beltsville will hold a flea market on Saturday, June 8 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tables with a space are available for \$20 and a space only is

\$15. We are accepting donations for the St. Joseph's table. Please call Melissa Gott at 301.642.1967 or St. Joseph's at 301.937.7154 for more information. The flea market will happen rain or shine. Please come and join us for food and fun.

Vacation Bible School

Come face your fears at the Colossal Coaster World Vacation Bible School, June 24-28 from 9 a.m. to noon each day at First Baptist Church of Beltsville, 4700 Odell Road, Beltsville, Md. 20705. Ages 4-year-olds to 6th grade are invited. It's totally FREE! Register online today at www.fbcbeltsville.org. Can't wait to see you and go on the ride of our lives together! For more information or if you have any questions, please call 301.937.7771.

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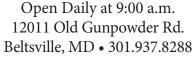


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Bill Boyd, a Traveling Man

While a yearly beach getaway or a weekend jaunt to the mountains is an ideal vacation for many, it's just the tip of the iceberg for Bill Boyd. In fact, Mr. Boyd has seen icebergs, as well as lions, Jeju Island and bread lines in the former Soviet Union.

A resident of Riderwood retirement community, Mr. Boyd has visited 301 of the 321 major travel destinations as compiled by the Traveler's Century List...and designated on a world map hanging on a wall of his apartment home, completely coded with colored pins.

"International travel is a worldclass education," stated Mr. Boyd, a retired physical education teacher who spent twenty-eight years with the Prince George's County Public School system.

His passion for globe-trotting began as a member of the National Education Association (NEA) when he flew to Japan in 1977 for a conference. Subsequent trips to Canada and Mexico further piqued his interest. "I took advantage of some tremendous and affordable opportunities to see places I'd



only read about," described Mr. Boyd.

He crossed off #100 on the list, a cruise to Barbados, in 1997. He lists Switzerland as one of his favorite destinations due to "hiking trips in the Swiss Alps, beautiful scenery and great food."

But not all of his trips are about fun in the sun. There is an element

of adventure, and some would say danger, in his travel career. Consider these destinations:

Soviet Union in 1978 when tensions between the Cold War superpowers were nearing their peak.

Iran in 2007 as Middle East

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Neighbors in the News

Thoughts of Oklahoma

By Jeannine Carter

Where were you on Monday, May 21 mid-afternoon? Picking your children up from school or waiting for their school bus? Running into Giant for a chicken and a box of rice to prepare for dinner? Maybe you were rocking your baby to put him down for a nap...planting begonias or pulling weeds in your yard.

The citizens of Moore, Oklahoma were doing something quite different. Parents were terrified to look out of the window, knowing their little children were out of their reach. During a very short period of time they grabbed their cell phone and scrambled for shelter. Sounds equivalent to a locomotive rang in their ears as the tornado leveled the homes they fought so hard to pay for with hard work. This demon called a tornado not only leveled their homes, but also leveled their lives into a sea of confusion and destruction.

After the roar there was an eerie silence. They wondered if it was over. If it is over, they thought, is it safe to emerge from under the bathtub that landed on their back, it is safe to crawl out from under the siding that used to be the part of their house? The silence turned into cries and screams of chaos and fear. Where are my children? Irrational thoughts inundated their minds. Where is my car? I need to pick my child up from school! Wait, is that my little girl's favorite Barbie floating in the mud across the street? Oh my gosh, my dog is missing...what shelter should I drive to in order to find him?

Reality set in very quickly for the residents of Moore, Oklahoma as you and I rode down the Baltimore Washington Parkway or Route 198. Our thoughts were occupied with mundane issues. Returning e-mails, doing the laundry, putting the trash and re-cycling out on the curb were the most important tasks we were faced with that day.

God blessed us by not having to get the news that our fourth grader was hustled to safety by a teacher, but ultimately drown in the haven. A phone rang out there in Oklahoma and a nurse told a daughter that her 90 year old mother was crushed by a guardrail from the interstate, 1/2 mile away. Homeowner's attempted to find their neighborhoods but the rubble and debris was dis-orienting, street signs blown miles away. As the homeowner's muddled their way back to what used to be their home all they could find was a random broken chair, a toaster or a section of wall that was proudly painted last week. A lone sparkly purple tennis shoe was stuck in the mud, and a yellow stuffed bear

hung upside down in what was left of a cinder brick wall

Sometimes prayer seems futile to those who are overwhelmed by a sudden and tragic event. However, those who were not personally involved can intercede for the victims in Oklahoma. We must pray without ceasing, place our burning issues aside and concentrate on those who are hurting, who need the Holy Spirit RIGHT NOW to calm their minds and just take care of them until the next of never. The devastation that occurred on May 21, 2013 will never be forgotten. Only through prayer and faith in God's plan can we even begin to cope with the situation enough to go on through the next day, week, month or year. As committed, believing and prayer filled Christians we are obligated by the power of the Holy Spirit to intercede for those whose faith is weak or stifled. As we talk to God tomorrow morning when we awaken, pray on our way to work, school, or appointments, get a head of steam up and be a prayer warrior for those who need our intercession, and to support those who have been praying non-stop since Monday afternoon.

Many times as I hear bad news coming from the airways or from my loved ones I mutter, "There but for the grace of God go I."

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continued from page 8 hostilities continued. Iraq in 2009 following the

American surge and sectarian vio-

Kim Jong-un regime set to make its mark on the world stage.

"You definitely have to be aware of your surroundings when traveling in unfamiliar territory," advised Mr. Boyd. "But there are incredible moments to speak with people who are interested in the United States and western culture."

Mr. Boyd shares those encounters with his fellow residents through periodic interviews on the Erickson Living retirement community's in-house television station.

While he does not collect knick-knacks or expensive souvenirs, Mr. Boyd uses his camera, now a digital one, to capture the memories. In fact, he has 68 albums that house an amazing 22,329 photos.

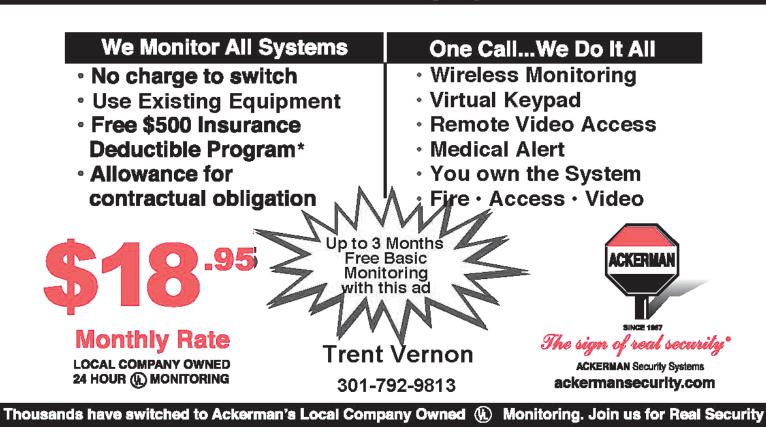
As summer travel season begins, Mr. Boyd tells friends "not to be afraid to pursue your dreams. Set goals, budget wisely and certainly do your research to find respected travel agencies, the method I use to book most of my trips."

Retirement has not slowed him down; in fact, it provides Mr. Boyd the opportunity to schedule even more excursions such as India in March, 2012, where he rode through dusty back roads to see tigers and other wildlife.

Mr. Boyd has a mere twenty stops to complete the Traveler's Century List 321, including challenging world-hot spots such as Afghanistan, Pakistan and Somalia.

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The William Veater Gymnasium at Beltsville Academy was rocking on Thursday, May 2 as the 8th grade boys and girls basketball team narrowly defeated the staff, 35-30. MVP Ethan McMeans, who displayed great sportsmanship and leadership throughout the game, led the 8th grade to victory.

Youth With Purpose Anniversary Banquet

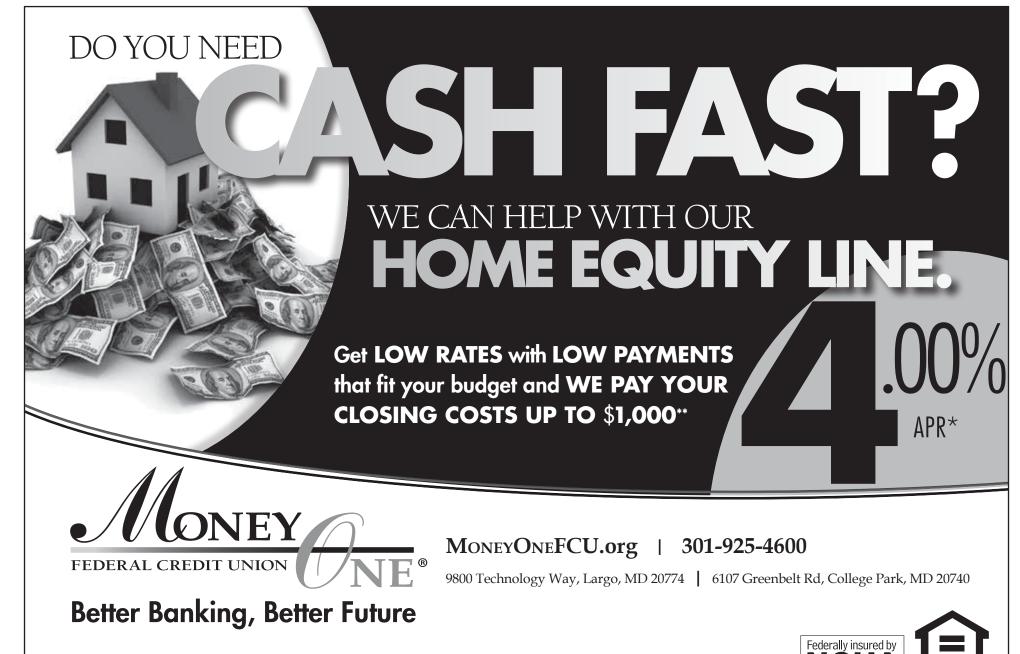
The mentoring organization, "Youth With Purpose," founded eight years ago at High Point High School by chemistry teacher Patsy Conner, held its 8th Anniversary Banquet on Thursday evening, May 23, at the College Park Sheraton Hotel. The evening was a celebration of the achievements of current and former students. Achievements of current students include those who have not only achieved excellent grade point averages of 3.0 and above, but also scholarships to universities such as Pepperdine and Bucknell. Former students shared reflections on

how "Youth With Purpose" contributed to their current success. The evening also showcased the many talents of HPHS students which included selections by the school orchestra, vocal solos, dances, poetry readings and personal reflections.

Through the years "Youth With Purpose" has been fully supported by the school, the school system, parents, county government representatives and community organizations. Current and retired staff members as well as parent volunteers contribute many hours to the organization.



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Neighbors in the News

Riderwood Honors 2013 Student Scholar Recipients

Over \$214,000 in resident contributions provide 4-year awards

Honoring academic excellence and workplace achievement, Riderwood, the Erickson Living retirement community, held its 2013 High School Scholarship Awards Ceremony on April 18th.

Twenty high school seniors from Montgomery and Prince George's Counties who are employed in the Dining Services Department of Riderwood earned four-year collegiate scholarships. The value of these awards is \$1,000 per semester for a total of \$8,000 per student.

Levern Allen is a resident of Riderwood who serves on the 11-member Scholarship Committee. In her congratulatory remarks, Ms. Allen stated that, "Our community is so fortunate that strong bonds are created between residents and the student employees. We don't see these students



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as waiters or waitresses. We see them as future professionals, paying their taxes and contributing to the community."

During the ceremony, Fiona Divecha, Philanthropy Manager at Riderwood, announced that over \$214,000 has been raised for the program. That total is overwhelmingly comprised of donations made by residents during a drive that began on January 1st.

Since 2002, Riderwood has received more than \$1.7 million in contributions for its scholars' program with 396 students earning scholarships.

Michael Durso, a member of the Montgomery County Board of Education, provided the keynote address. Nancy Floreen, Montgomery County Council and Daryl Williams, Director of Student Services for Prince George's County Public Schools, were among the dignitaries who attended the ceremony.

Riderwood has also announced a new Adult Learner Scholarship for its employees.

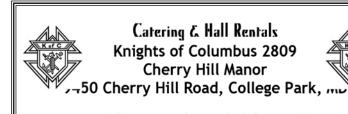
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Club News

National President of American Legion Auxiliary Visits Maryland

By Ivy Christoffers

On March 18, 2013 Peggy Thomas, the National President of The American Legion Auxiliary, took up residence in The Holiday Inn in College Park for a welcome stay that ended on March 21, 2013 when she returned to her home in Richmond, Va. Thomas was escorted by the Department of Maryland President, Ivy Christoffers and her Distinguished Guest Chairman, Past National President from Maryland, Linda Newsome.

After resting for a couple of hours, an impromptu dinner was held at Moose Creek which was attended by several American Legion Auxiliary members

Following an early night to rest for the very full Tuesday that began with a comfortable breakfast, we were met by the other Past National President from Maryland who is a resident of Beltsville, Sandi Dutton, who agreed to be our driver for the day. This was because the brakes went out on my car on the weekend and it was taken in to the dealer for repairs early Monday morning.

Our first stop was at MCVETS in Baltimore. MCVETS stands for Maryland Center for Veteran's Education and Training and is the bellwether of its kind. A place that houses homeless Veterans and trains them to be productive citizens again. Training them in a new skill, finding them employment and housing in the community and following their progress to insure a successful transition from homelessness to a tax paying productive

citizen. After a tour of the facility, a delicious lunch, prepared by the Veterans in the culinary department, we continued on to The War Memorial Building to attend our Naturalization service. This is a very important aspect of our Americanism program that is held each year. The Message of Hope Choir from MCVETS sang at the ceremony. National President, Thomas, was very impressed and said that this was her first experience with a Naturalization service. She thoroughly enjoyed welcoming the new American citizens and spending time greeting their children.

After this was over, we continued on to our department office to show her where we conduct the business of the American Legion Auxiliary for Maryland. Thomas was impressed with the size of our office and delighted to notice her portrait hanging on the wall.

Next it was on to Loch Raven VA Medical Center where we were dedicating a new American Flag in the new addition. Thomas and our two representatives, Joan R. and Kathy M., took part in the dedication.

Now it was time to climb aboard our chariot once more for the trip to Kent Island for dinner at the Legion Post. We were treated to delicious crab cakes, chicken and several side dishes and desserts. A most impressive feast. Then it was back to the hotel for a well-deserved rest.

March 20 saw us leaving for Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home, after a leisurely breakfast. We arrived just after 10 a.m. and were met by our representative, Toni Carr, and several other members for the official tour.

It is good to see how our elderly Veterans are cared for. Following the tour, we were invited to join the VA Commission who were meeting there that day for lunch. The Commission is chaired by a very good friend, Mr. Ed Chow, Jr., who serves as the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Maryland.

After consuming a most delicious lunch, we departed for our hotel to rest a while before the banquet which was held at Greenbelt Post #136 that evening.

When we arrived at Greenbelt Post #136, Peggy Thomas was pleasantly surprised to see who our entertainment for the evening was going to be. Wayne Miller and Mark Beard, "Brothers of the Same Heart." Both Wayne and Mark are members of Veterans Creative Arts, a national program that is sponsored by The American Legion Auxiliary. There was a very nice social hour where Thomas met everyone and presented them with one of her lovely pins. After dinner, presentations were made to Thomas for her personal program, Scholarships for the Children of Warriors. Checks were presented by The American Legion, The American

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National Active and Retired Federal Employees Chapter 1122 Northern Prince George's County

Our annual luncheon meeting will be held at the Raleigh Inn, Greenbelt Road on June 12 at noon. Please call Warren Wilcox at 301.345.7437 to make your reservation before June 5. Our speaker will be Barry Grier, Vice President of the Maryland Federation of Chapters.





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Beltsville Young at Heart

By Barbara Schofield

Our anniversary party was held on April 18. Peggy Dee, Judy Dillon and Joan Lewis were the committee people and they had a lot of volunteer helpers. You did a very fine job ladies. The party was catered by our fantastic Bill Miles of the Laurel Meat Market. He always prepares a wonderful meal. Now to Beltsville Day. It is too soon for me to say how we did; that will be a later subject. I have to give a HUGE thank you to all who helped and also came to patronize our kitchen. We need the support of all our members. Don't judge by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant. A hug is the perfect gift—one size fits all and nobody minds if you return it.

Genealogical Society Meets

Submitted by Kent Kwiatkowski, Prince George's County Genealogical Society

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society (PGCGS) will meet Wednesday, June 5, at 7 p.m. in the New Carrollton Municipal Building, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway. After a brief business meeting, Program Chair Heather Olsen will present some examples of solutions to brickwall problems, and a team of volunteers including Patty Shawker Society Meets

and Shirley Wilcox will address brickwall problems submitted by PGCGS members. All are welcome to attend this

free presentation. For additional information see www.rootsweb. ancestry.com/~mdpgcgs or call 301.262.2063. The society meets on the first Wednesday of the month from September through June, except for January. There will be no meeting in July or Aug. The next meeting will be on Sept. 4, 2013.



School News

High Road Upper School Students Prepare for Graduation

Graduation is a special time as it allows students to reflect on their journey through high school and the opportunity to look forward to the next phase of their lives. While graduation ceremonies celebrate the accomplishments of the previous four years, it is what happens next that counts the most.

This year the High Road Upper School of Prince George's County will present the Class of 2013 at its annual commencement ceremony at the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts on June 6, 2013. This year's nine graduates will share this impressive accomplishment with their classmates, family, friends and High Road staff all of whom have provided a source of continued support, encouragement and preparation they needed to be able to navigate through their high school years.

Each senior has worked hard to complete course work and other graduation requirements such as HSA exams and service learning hours at the same time focusing on preparing for the next phase of their lives by attending college/vocational training fairs, participating in work experience and

intern opportunities and attending career fairs.

Karee, a graduating senior reflects on his time at High Road and his plans for the future:

"During my time here at High Road, I have learned to focus in an environment that can sometimes be challenging. I have learned to accept responsibility for my actions and understand that I can succeed by putting forth effort and seeking and accepting support as I need it. I've developed and improved my social skills throughout my four years at High Road Upper School. I have done so by participating in group activities, team sports, work opportunities and by performing community service."

The transition department at High Road School gave me the opportunity to explore careers that met my interests and skill levels. I started my process with the school transition department by completing an interest inventory, skills and career assessment which matched my interests.

The business partnerships established by the transition department allowed me to explore

various businesses in different industries, such as hotel/restaurant management, small business management, nonprofit and retail sales.

Even though it has not been easy, I would like to thank my parents, teachers and staff at High Road for all of the support and guidance they have provided me over the past four years. I see the growth in me that they have instilled. I have and will use the ability to succeed in every arena I enter after I leave High Road.

High Road has helped me with the process of applying to colleges and preparing for the next phase of my life. I plan on studying business management as my major and minor in medicine. I've been recruited by several colleges to play football and I will be selecting one soon. I plan on earning my degree as well as pursuing my dream of playing in the NFL."

Durrell, another senior, shares his thoughts as well:

"During my experience at High Road I have had a lot of up's and definitely a lot of downs.

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School News

Calverton Goes to College Week

By Judith L. Pollock, Professional School Counselor

In an effort to help prepare students for college, April 22 through 26, Calverton Elementary School held its first annual Calverton Goes to College week. During this time students were engaged in learning about colleges and universities and exploring future careers. They had the opportunity to get a taste of college life and the careers that soon follow.

On Monday teachers and students decorated classroom doors with college themes. They were decorated with pictures, brochures, banners, and tee shirts representing the teacher's alma

mater, as well as displays of student work and drawings. Teachers were encouraged to integrate information about their college experience in the lessons taught during the week.

Tuesday students were asked to dress according to future career aspirations. There were students dressed as doctors, lawyers, and teachers just to name a few. The students really appeared excited portraying themselves in their future occupations.

On Wednesday, Future Leaders Career Day was held. There were visitors from many of the businesses in the surrounding area. Some of the guests included a

judge, architect, two professional clowns, a zumba instructor and the aviation police, who landed a helicopter right in the middle of the field behind the school. This created excitement for the staff and students as they watched the helicopter circle the area and land. The park police came with a horse in tow. Students could hardly wait to hear the presentation and to feed the horse right from their own hands. Wednesday night was Preparing for College informational session. Parents were invited in to hear information about what they could do, even with their children in elementary school, to help prepare them for college. A represen-

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tative from Martin Luther King Middle School, Prince Georges Community College, a local bank, a credit union, and a life insurance company were invited to share information about preparing and saving for college with parents.

Friday culminated the week with a day where staff and students wore college paraphernalia.

There were displays of hats, tee shirts and sweat shirts that represented schools the staff attended or the schools parents attended. The week was a great learning experience for the students and we look forward to making this an annual event at Calverton Elementary School, home of the SOARing Eagles.



High Point High School Senior Awards Night

High Point celebrated the many successes of our seniors in May at the Seniors Awards on May 22, 2013.

These students were honored for their selection for the State of Maryland Merit Scholastic Award: Yolande Pokam Tchuisseu, Bibiana Valdes Hernandez, Elvina Karley, Edward Adutwum, Ratu Sarah, Anyela Jacome Ceron, Stanola Stanley, Jeniffer Barahona Cabrera, Sandra Martin, Aaleah Williams, Kanika Sharma, Mirna Santos Mejia, Jenny Canales, Andrew Hemphill, Michelle Lirazan, Kierra Kyle, Diane Vu, Josue Mendoza, Agnes Formatum, Kelly Hernandez, Selena Fajardo, Angeline Samuel, Ackera Williams, Daniel Varona and Ascenna Scotland

In addition, the following awards and scholarships were presented:

Josue Mendoza won the Carl H. and Emma M. Schinner Scholarship. The College Park Lions club selected Shalom Keflezghi and Jenny Canales for their award. The Beltsville Rotary Club Award went to Andrew Hemphill and Abdoul Mohammed. Yolande Pokam Tchiusseu and Edward Adutwun were selected for the Kiwanis Club Citizen Award and the PTSA Award. The Sons of the American Revolution award was presented to Eber Aragon. The United Stated Marine Corps presented three awards. Edwin Claros and Kelly Hernandez were selected for the Distinguished Athlete Award, Neha Tirkey received the Scholastic Excellence Award and Malachi Howard received the Semper Fidelis Award.

The Eagle Award and the Allan I. Chotiner Award, named for a long-time principal of High Point High School, were both awarded to High Point valedictorian Bibiana Valdes Hernandez. Selena Fajardo was the winner of the Irwin Kalinski Memorial Scholarship and Yolande Pokum Tchuisseu won the Quest Scholarship Award. Mercedes Osakwe and Victor Turay were honored with the High Point Citizen Scholar Award. Precious Weke received the Herman Spencer Caldwell III Memorial Scholarship and Kelly Hernandez received the Edward J. Spindler Service Award. Andrew Hemphill and Stanola Standley won The Superintendent's Award. Many of our seniors were also **REAL ESTATE**, IT'S IAMS REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATE **ROBERTA!!** ROBERTA SAUTONIAL SEGULIATION / SFR Experienced, Reputable Distinguished Sales Club GRI 301-937-3124 Full time professional **CRS** Web: www.ROBERTAREALTOR.com • E-mail: rbyaklich@verizon.net • 301-262-1700 **SPECTACULAR!** Home Acres subdivision, gorgeous brick home on 2/3

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WINGS OF FANCY BUTTERFLY EXHIBIT

Regular hours: daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Sunday, Sept. 22. Contact the gardens regarding climate and weather-related exceptions. Help a caterpillar fly, plant your garden to provide. This year the focus is on butterflies in your backyard, and the host plants that local caterpillars need in order to survive and thrive. Learn about the life cycle of these amazing creatures, and be surrounded by hundreds of North American, Costa Rican, and Asian butterflies flying freely inside the Conservatory. Come witness the butterfly life cycle. Learn about the best annual and tropical plants, and hardy shrubs that are used as nectar sources to attract butterflies to your own garden. Peak visitation hours are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Exhibit tickets and parking are available at the Visitors Center and Conservatories. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for ages 3 to 12. Frequent visitor passes are available for an additional charge. Children

2 and under are admitted free, however, we rearet that we are not able to accommodate strollers in the Butterfly Exhibit. The exhibit is wheelchair accessible.

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9650 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel. Phone: 301.377.7817. TTY: 301.699.2544. E-mail: montpeliermansion@paparks.com. Contact the Art Center at 301.377.7800 for information on art and photography classes. Due to renovation at the mansion, tours are suspended until further notice. Please call the center before visiting. Any events held at the mansion location will be held outdoors, and many reqular and special events will be held at partner locations. The mansion grounds are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year.

COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM

1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Dr., College Park. Phone: 301.864.6029. TTY: 301.699.2544. Museum admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, and \$2 for children. Children under 2 admitted free. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except for major holidays. Tours for groups of 10 or more are available by appointment.

WRIGHT AEROPLANE RIB-MAKING WORK-SHOP

Sunday, June 9 at 1 p.m. Participants will build their own 1909 Wright wing rib. Preregistration required. Private group workshops can also be scheduled. Workshop fee: \$7 per

participant, including supplies and museum admission

TYE-DYE T-SHIRT WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 15, 1 p.m. Get in touch with your creative side and make your own tie-dye t-shirt at the museum. The \$7 fee covers your t-shirt cost and museum admission. Preregistration is required. All ages.

GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER

The center is located at 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. The Greenbelt Recreation Activities Guide is online. Stop by the center or see www.greenbeltmd.gov/ recreation for events and class listings. Phone: 301.397.2208.

ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, June 2. Events include: 1) Greenbelt Concert Band performance scheduled at 3 p.m.; 2) Make your own puzzle or puzzling abstract art with Artist-in-Residence Loraine DiPietro. Create a unique puzzle using popsicle sticks or craft your own geometric art collage. Open to all ages. Free. Materials are provided; and 3) Artists- in-Residence studio open house from 1 to 4 p.m.

GREENBELT MUSEUM

The museum house is located at 10-B Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770. Docent-led tours are on Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m., please contact the museum for latest information. No reservations are required, but we do recommend that you arrive no later than 4:30 p.m. Tickets: \$3 general admission, \$2 adults 55 and older, free for children under age 12. Friends of the Greenbelt Museum are admitted free. See www.GreenbeltMuseum.org or call 301.507.6582 for more information.

LAUREL-BELTSVILLE SENIOR **ACTIVITY CENTER**

7120 Contee Rd., Laurel, MD 20707. Regular hours of operation: Monday – Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., closed on Sunday. Contact the center regarding regular activities and special events. Phone: 301.206.3350. Fax: 301.206.3387. TTY: 301.446.3402.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE VISITOR CENTER

10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708. Phone and registration line: 301.497.5887. See Patuxent.fws.gov. The refuge is bursting with signs of spring. Stop by to attend a program or walk the trails and look for spring migrants and blooms. Space in our public programs is limited. Register early unless otherwise specified. Thank you for your continued support.

The Visitor Center entrance is accessed from Powder Mill Rd. between the Baltimore-Washington Pkwy. and Rt. 197. The center is part of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge. Hours of operation are daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for major holidays. Free admission to the center and its exhibits, grounds, and trails. Please advise us of any special needs so that we may accommodate you.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRAM TOURS

Enjoy an all-electric tram tour through various habitats on the refuge, weather permitting. Call the center or check our website for tram times and fees when planning your visit.

KIDS FISHING DAY

Saturday, June 8. Times: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. or 10 to 11 a.m. Pre-register at 301-497-5887. Novice Anglers can learn how to cast a rod, identify types of fish and enjoy the experience of fishing. All fishing equipment will be provided for the event, and there will be staff available to assist. More experi-

enced anglers can take advantage of Maryland's Free Fishing Day using their own equipment (no license required), at the Refuge's North tract location (off of Rt. 198) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. State & Refuge regulations and fishing policies apply.

WHOOPING CRANE ADVENTURE

Sunday, June 9 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Follow the journey of Cinnamon in this fictional account that shares the experiences of a typical whooping crane raised at Patuxent Research Refuge. Discover how these new recruits join the Eastern migratory flock of wild whoopers! Ages 8 - 10.

WHOOPING CRANE TOUR

Sunday, June 9 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Take a behind-the-scenes tour of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center to observe the graceful endangered whooping cranes. Arrive early, as tour will leave on time. Space is very limited, registration required. Ages 14+.

FUN WITH FOOD CHAINS!

Wednesday, June 5 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Explore some of the amazing food chains in nature through games and a hike in this fun filled program. Registration required. Ages 5 – 7.

BIRD WALK

Wednesday, June 12 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. Ages 16+. Registration required.

DABBLERS AND DIVERS!

Tuesday, June 11 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Discover all the different types of waterfowl taking up residence at the refuge including the threatened canvasback. What is a canvasback anyway? Explore one of the visitor center's least-known exhibits and meet a live duck. Registration required. Ages 8 – 10.

TINY TOTS: NATURE AND MUSIC

Tuesday, June 25 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Come learn about the wildlife at the refuge through songs and rhyming. Parental participation required. Registration required. Ages 18 months to 42 months.

NATURE TOTS: DEVOTED DADS

Thursday, June 27 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. Introduce your preschooler to some of nature's most devoted Dads that help protect and care for their babies. Registration required. Ages 3 - 4.

BELTSVILLE EVENTS

Please contact the individual facilities for any changes in hours of operation due to holidays or inclement weather.

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY (NAL)

10301 Baltimore Ave. The library is free and open to the public. Parking is free. Hours of operation: Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for federal holidays. NAL is one of four national libraries of the United States. Call 301.504.5876 for information on basic services, resources, and special events. See NAL at www.nal.usda.gov or on Twitter at http://twitter.com/#!/National Ag Lib

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11300 Baltimore Ave. Please call 301.937.1100, ext. 0. or see www.Behnkes. com for more information.

BONSAI DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, June 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Watch bonsai master Ducky Hong sculpt everyday plants into works of art. Questions? Mr. Hong loves to talk about his work and the classes he will be teaching

GARDEN PARTY

Saturday, June 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the party; 9 to 10 a.m. to submit plants for the plant swap. Discover the world of gardening with the experts. Many local garden clubs and plant societies will come together share their knowledge and experience. There will also be a big raffle to benefit the Friends of Brookside Gardens, a plant swap from 10 to 10:30 a.m., garden talks, some great food, door prizes, and a few of our favorite vendors with special products for you to peruse.

BELTSVILLE LIBRARY

Regular operating hours are: Monday - Tuesday from 1 to 9 p.m., Wednesday - Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed on Sunday. Contact the Beltsville Library by phone at 301.937.0294. Visit us at 4319 Sellman Rd., Beltsville, next door to the police station. Visit our library system website at www.pgcmls.info.

PROGRAMS FOR EVERYONE

SUMMER READING KICKOFF EVENT: ICE **CREAM SOCIAL**

Monday, June 10 at 7 p.m. Sign up for Summer Reading while enjoying your tasty summertime treat. Sponsored by the Friends of the Beltsville Library.

CHESS CLUB

Tuesdays, June 11 and 25 at 6 p.m. Chess for all ages and levels. Everyone welcome. Come to learn or just to play with others and have fun.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

For all ages — children and adults alike. Register online or stop in and pick up program materials at the library. Check the Current at www.pgcmls.info for special Summer Reading Program events.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

FAMILY GAME ON!

Tuesday, June 4 at 6 p.m. Families are invited to join the library for a night of video games and board games. Bring your own game or play one of ours. All ages welcome.

STORYTIME

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 10:30 a.m. Songs, stories, and finger plays for children ages 3 - 5.

TODDLER TIME

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 11:30 a.m. Songs, fingerplays, and stories for children 18 - 36 months with caregiver.

KAYDEE PUPPETS

Thursday, June 20 at 10:30 a.m. Large, delightful moving-mouth puppets will appeal to families and children over two years of age.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

FRIENDS OF THE BELTSVILLE LIBRARY Meeting Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m.

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, June 10 at 7 p.m. Sue Miller's The Lake Shore Limited.

AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, June 18 at 2 p.m. Stacy Schiff's Cleopatra: A Life.

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MARVELOUS LIGHT





I am starting off this month with consumer corner. Have you noticed that almost every cereal box reads "heart healthy?" There has been a lot written about how oats were good for the heart. We started to believe it. Now there's a lot written that wheat is better. We would be better off to toss the food and eat the box. That would at least give us roughage.

I do not often endorse companies, but there a few I would like to endorse. Brewer and Marshall for glasses. Quality in Beltsville for over 45 years. The other is Bottom Line Carpets of Beltsville.

Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of

The American Legion. The Sons

were the most generous donat-

ing \$1,000. Following this happy

occasion, we once again made our

way to the Holiday Inn to rest for

VISIT

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Don't fall for the commercials promising three rooms for \$99. There are a lot of quality companies in Beltsville. Think of them first.

This is a tip put into print. Question, "Is texting worth dying over?" POINT IS, put away that phone and live longer. On today's roads even listening to a snappy tune can pull your mind off the road. I have made all my children and grandchildren pledge not to use cell phones while driving, for any reason! I have had two friends tell me of their children having accidents while on the phone. Of

March 21, after another lei-

surely breakfast, we departed for

Fredericksburg, Va. to get Peggy

Thomas to her car so she could

drive on to Richmond. She was

very pleased with the time she

spent in Maryland and the many

gracious members she met here

while experiencing a little of what

course, all denied it. If you haven't learned it by now, they all will lie to you with a straight face. (Example) Father asked, "I heard you come in at 3 a.m. What were you doing out so late?" Oh, just driving around talking. Yeah, right! I know. I dragged up 3 of them.

Well enough for this month. Reach me at bill@bakerbill.net for any baking questions.

Truly, if a recipe doesn't turn out like it did last time, or you're not sure about an ingredient, my success rate is 100% so far. Bakerbill.net

we do for our Veterans and active

around and, oh yes, I did get my

car back on Wednesday.

A most happy occasion all

military.

GRADUATION

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While at High Road I have had the opportunity to grow as a person and student. My grades and behavior have improved to where I can focus on the more positive aspects of my future. I have gained valuable work experience through participation with the High Road In-School Employment program and through a two year work experience opportunity at a local restaurant. Hopefully I can continue with the restaurant after I graduate and start college.

With the help of staff and my Father, Clay Philson, today, I am proud to say that I will be graduating June 6th 2013. After high school I will be attending Prince George's Community College to study computer aided drafting and fashion merchandising. I would like to design and market my own clothing line. I am going to keep myself busy and stay focused on my future and stay out of trouble and away from bad influences.

I would like to say a big "Thank You" to all of my teachers for all of their guidance and support. I would like to thank my Spanish teacher, Ms. Johnson, for helping me with my Bridge Projects. I would also like to thank my homeroom teachers from my junior and senior year, Mr. Hicks, Mrs. Corley and Mrs. Buffaloe, for their encouragement, guidance and for not giving up on me and for making me put forth my best effort. Even when I gave up on my self or did not believe in my ability to succeed, they always believed in me. Today...I believe I can too..."

Chanielle, who completed her high school requirements in December 2012 had this to add:

"I had a great experience at High Road Upper School. The teacher's and support staffs were very helpful in working with me academically, socially and even personally throughout the school year. When I first arrived at High Road I was nervous at first because I didn't know what to expect but as I got familiar with my teachers, peers and environment I felt comfortable. The curriculum was structured to meet my academic capabilities in order to graduate, which I liked. I believe it will assist me a great deal as I enter the healthcare field. As I flashback on my time at High Road I'm truly going to miss all my teachers, social workers and the director. They all have made a positive impact on my life as I transition into life after High Road."

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God Bless our Troops and may God continue to bless America. We with my Bridge would also like to than

> ¹⁵Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. II Timothy 2:15

Matthew 7:7-8 King James (KJV) ⁷Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: ⁸For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Contact Mr. Spivey for registration & location 240-644-4710

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301.937.6613. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. The Program Specialist is Michael Hansborough. He can be contacted by phone or at Michael.Hansborough@pgparks.com. Regular hours of operation are: Monday -Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed on Sunday. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens and Pre-teens: Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 10 p.m.

4000-STEP CHALLENGE

Saturday, June 1 from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Come take the 4000-step challenge on the Beltsville Trail in honor of National Trails Day. The trail is scenic and has various rest areas that have exercise stops to increase your workout potential. Afterwards, stop in and enjoy light, healthy refreshments provided by the community center. Free. All ages welcome

BAKING UP SMILES

Saturday, June 1 from 7 to 10 p.m. Learn the basics of baking with us as we make cookies and cupcakes for everyone who attends. Free. Ages 10 - 17.

FATHER'S DAY CRAFT

Saturday, June 8 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join us as we create the perfect personalized gift for Dad for Father's Day. All materials will be included, but bring a picture of yourself or you and your family to make the gift extra special. Fee: \$2/resident, \$3/non-resident. Reservation required by June 1. Ages 5 - 12.

NATIONAL POPSICLE DAY

Tuesday, June 28 from 3 to 5 p.m. Stop by the center and grab a Popsicle to cool down in the summer heat in honor of National Popsicle Day. Free. All ages welcome.

STRATEGY GAME CLUB

Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m. Enjoy board games and strategy games and tons of fun. All skill levels welcome. Any game can be played as well as brought to the club to be played. Games include: Small World, Steel Driver, and Age of Industry. Free. All ages.

XTREME TEEN REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 10 p.m. Free with valid Center ID card. Ages 13 -17.

VANSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

6813 Ammendale Rd., Vansville. Phone: 301.937.6621. Fax: 301.937.6623. Spanish line: 301.445.4509. TTY: 301.445.4512. The Director is Jeremy Weiss. He can be contacted by phone or at Jeremy.Weiss@ pgparks.com. Regular hours of operation: Monday - Thursday from to 9 p.m., Friday from 2 to 7 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sunday from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Hours of operation for First Ladies of V-ville: Fridays and Saturdays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Hours of operation for Xtreme Teens: Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 10 p.m.

BALL HOCKEY CLINIC

Wednesday, June 5 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. For boys and girls. All equipment will be supplied. Students will be taught basic hockey skills, stick handling techniques, and rules. A pick-up game will be played to reinforce skill development. Free. Ages 5 - 12.

FIRST LADIES OF V-VILLE

Fridays and Saturdays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Activities just for girls: Join us for V-ville ladies sports nights, empowerment workshops, modeling, and more. Free. Ages 10 - 17.

XTREME TEENS REGULAR EVENTS

Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 10 p.m. Ages 13 - 17. Free with valid Center ID card





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MEALS ON WHEELS OF COLLEGE PARK is now accepting new customers. Meals are delivered to your door Monday thru Friday between the hours of 11:30 am and 12:30 pm. Each daily delivery consists of a hot meal, a bread pack (with coffee, tea and other condiments), a sandwich, salad, fruit, juice and milk. The price is \$25.00 a week. To enroll or to get answers to any of your questions, please call Meals on Wheels of College Park at 301-474-1002 Monday thru Friday 9 am to noon. 07/13

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